

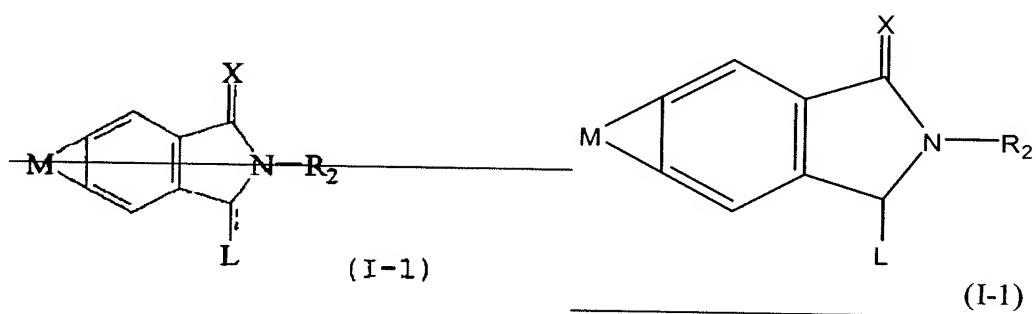
Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently amended) A compound represented by formula (I-1)



wherein M represents together with the isoindoline structure a saturated 5- or 6-membered cyclic group which may optionally have 1 or 2 hetero atoms selected from the group consisting of sulfur, nitrogen and oxygen;

X is oxygen or sulfur;

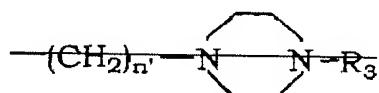
R₂ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, benzyl, pyridyl, pyridylmethyl, pyrimidinyl, cyclohexyl, methylpiperazinyl, indanyl, 1,3-benzodioxolyl and naphthyl, all of which may optionally be substituted; provided that when R₂ is phenyl, the 3- and 4- positions of the phenyl moiety are not substituted by alkoxy groups at the same time; and

~~—~~ represents a single bond or double bond; and

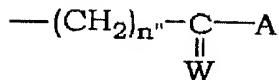
L is

~~—~~-(CH₂)_n-H

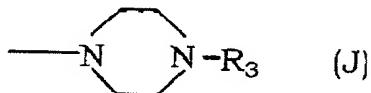
wherein n is an integer of 1-8;



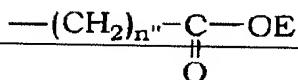
wherein R₃ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, linear or branched C1-8 alkyl, C1-3 alkyl substituted by at least one fluorine atoms, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, cycloheptyl, cyclohexylmethyl, benzyl, 2-pyridyl and 2-pyrimidinyl groups, n' is an integer of 1-3;



wherein W is an oxygen or sulfur atom, A is selected from the group consisting of linear or branched C1-5 alkyl, 2-dimethylaminoethylamine, 2-thiazolylamine, 4-methylhomopiperazinyl, 4-piperidinopiperidino, dimethylaminoanilino, pyridylamino, piperidino, 4-ethoxycarbonyl piperidino, 4-carboxypiperidino and a group represented by formula (J)



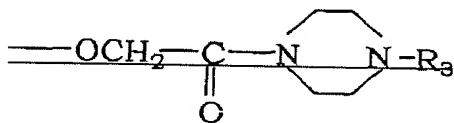
wherein R₃ is as defined above selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, linear or branched C1-8 alkyl, C1-3 alkyl substituted by at least one fluorine atoms, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, cycloheptyl, cyclohexylmethyl, benzyl, 2-pyridyl and 2-pyrimidinyl groups, n'' is an integer of 0-3;



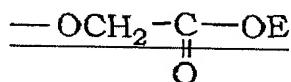
wherein E is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, linear or branched C1-6 alkyl or alkenyl, C1-3 alkyl substituted by at least one fluorine atoms, 2-methoxyethyl, 2-methylthioethyl, 2-dimethylaminoethyl, phenyl, pyridyl, benzyl, pyridylmethyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, tetrahydro-2H-pyranyl, cyclohexylmethyl, 1-methyl-4-piperidyl, indanyl, 1,3-benzodioxolyl and 1H-indolyl, wherein phenyl and pyridyl may optionally be substituted by the group consisting of halogen, methyl, methoxy, isopropyl and allyl, n'' is an integer of 0-3;



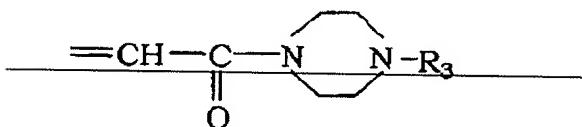
~~wherein T is oxygen, sulfur or NH, G is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, linear or branched C1-5 alkyl, C1-3 alkyl substituted by at least one fluorine atoms, 2-methoxyethyl and alkylcarbonyl, n' is an integer of 1-3;~~



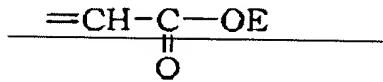
~~wherein R₃ is as defined above;~~



~~wherein E is as defined above;~~



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or a salt thereof.

5. (Original) The compound of Claim 4, wherein M is selected from the group consisting of

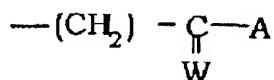
-CH₂CH₂CH₂-

-CH₂OCH₂- and

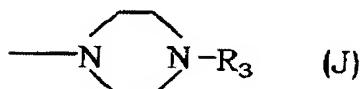
-OCH₂O-.

6. (Previously presented) The compound of Claim 4, wherein R₂ is an optionally substituted phenyl or an optionally substituted pyridyl.

7. (Currently amended) The compound of Claim 4, wherein L is



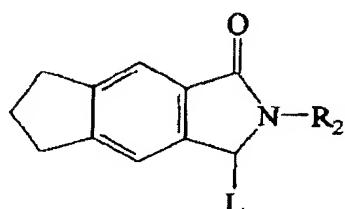
wherein W is oxygen, and A is selected from the group consisting of linear or branched C1-5 alkyl and a group of formula (J):



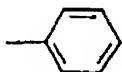
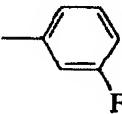
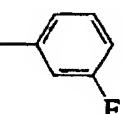
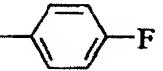
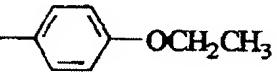
wherein R₃ is methyl or isopropyl.

8-10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently amended) The compound of Claim 4, which is represented by the formula:



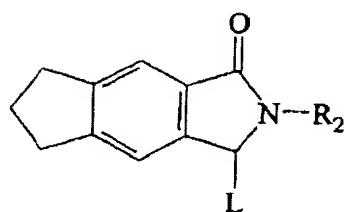
wherein R₂ and L are selected from the following combinations:

R ₂	L
	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{N}\text{---}\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N---CH}_3$
	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{N}\text{---}\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N---CH}_3$
	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{N}\text{---}\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N---CH}_3$
	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{N}\text{---}\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N---CH}_2\text{CH}_3$
	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{N}\text{---}\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N---CH}_2\text{CH}_3$
	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{N}\text{---}\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N---CH}_2\text{CH}_3$
	$\text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{N}\text{---}\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N---CH}_3$

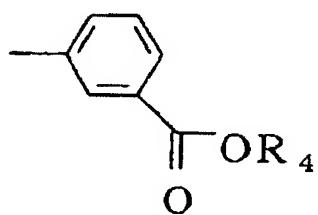
R ₂	L
	CH ₂ C(=O)OCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃
	CH ₂ C(=O)OCH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂
	CH ₂ CH ₂ OCH ₂ CH ₃
	CH ₂ CH ₂ OCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃
	CH ₂ C(=O)N1CCN(C2CCCCC2)CC1

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

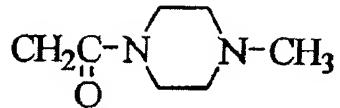
12. (Withdrawn – previously presented) The compound of Claim 4, which is represented by the formula



wherein R₂ is



wherein R₄ is selected from the group consisting of C1-5 alkyl, optionally substituted phenyl and optionally substituted benzyl, and L is



13. (Previously presented) An anesthetic composition for inducing sedative effect and anesthesia in a mammal, comprising an anesthetic effective amount of the compound of Claim 4 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

14. (Original) The composition of Claim 13, which is for intravenous injection.

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Previously presented) A method for inducing sedative effect and anesthesia in a mammal, comprising the step of administering an anesthetic effective amount of the compound of Claim 4 to the subject in need of anesthesia.